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Subject: RE: TPC fire and explosion, Port Neches, TX

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Subject: FW: TPC fire and explosion, Port Neches, TX

Adam,

ATSDR is working on T.O. with our team in Atlanta. Below are the names of the team that will be supporting you. I hope to get a T.O. and be on the road tomorrow and in route?

Patrick

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NCEH/ATSDR requests support for emergency travel to Beaumont, TX for 4 people. One other person may be added.

Departing from Atlanta, GA on December 5 and returning December 12 will be CDR Alaric Denton (awd2).
Departing from ATSDR 6 in Dallas, TX on December 5 and returning December 9 will be CAPT Patrick Young (pay9).
Departing Atlanta on December 5 and returning December 8 will be Charles Edge (ibd7).
Departing Atlanta on December 8 and returning December 12 will be CAPT Larry Cseh (loc3)

CAPT Young will be traveling by POV. All departures from Atlanta will be by air. A rental car will be required. Request reservations at the Holiday Inn, Interstate 10 and Walden road, in Beaumont, TX.

Request portable wi-fi hotspot be issued to CDR Denton for pickup enroute to Atlanta airport on Dec 5.

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Please coordinate details with the travelers on the cc line.

Justification: On Nov 27, multiple explosions and subsequent fire occurred at Texas Petroleum Company (TPC) facility in Port Neches, TX. ~60,000 residents were ordered to leave their homes by local authorities. EPA and TX DEQ responded to conduct environmental sampling and oversee response operations by the Company. Verbal consultations between ATSDR, EPA, and TX Health occurred over the Thanksgiving holidays. On Dec 3, the fire was extinguished. Damage to storage tanks at the facility has resulted in air emissions affecting the surrounding community. EPA requested on-site public health support to review and interpret environmental data and explain the implication of the data to the community. ATSDR coordinated the response to that request with TX Health and agree to deploy the travelers mentioned above to provide the requested support.